

REMARKS

Claims 1, 8, 13, 20, 24, 25, 29, 32, 34-42, 45-51, 67-86, and 88-137 are pending.

Claims 2-7, 9-12, 14-19, 21-23, 26-28, 30-31, 33, 43, 44, 52-66, and 87 are cancelled.

Claims 94-137 are added.

Claims 1 and 34 are amended.

Claims 1, 8, 13, 20, 24, 25, 29, 32, 34-42, 45-51, 67-86, and 88-137 remain in the case for consideration.

Claims 34, 37, 46, 49, and 51 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e).

Claims 1, 8, 13, 20, 24, 25, 29, 32, 35-36, 38-42, 45, 47-48, 50, 55-66, 67-86, 92, and 93 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a).

Reconsideration is requested.

No new matter is added.

The rejections are traversed.

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

The Examiner indicated that claim 87 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 87 is dependent only on independent claim 34. Claim 87 has been cancelled and its subject matter has been added to independent claim 34. Thus, the currently amended claim 34 has the elements of claim 87 as rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, claim 34 and dependent claims 35-42, 45-51, 67-86, and 88-93 are allowable.

The Examiner indicated that claim 88 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 94 is claim 88 rewritten into independent form, including the subject matter of independent claim 34. In addition, claims 95-108 correspond to select dependent claims of claim 34. Accordingly claims 94-108 are allowable.

The Examiner indicated that claim 89 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 109 is claim 89 rewritten into independent form, including the subject matter of independent claim 34. In addition, claims 110-123 correspond to select dependent claims of claim 34. Accordingly claims 109-123 are allowable.

The Examiner indicated that claim 90 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 124 is claim 90 rewritten into independent form, including the subject matter of independent claim 34 and intervening claim 46. In addition, claims 125-137 correspond to select dependent claims of claim 34. Accordingly claims 124-137 are allowable.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 87. Accordingly, claims 1, 8, 13, 20, 24, 25, 29, and 32 are allowable.

For the foregoing reasons, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1, 8, 13, 20, 24, 25, 29, 32, 34-42, 45-51, 67-86, and 88-137 of the application as amended is solicited. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
For:	Number After Amendment	Previous Number	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	94	86*	8	x \$25 =	\$ 200
Independent Claims	5	3**	2	x \$100 =	\$ 200
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 400

*greater of twenty (20) or number for which fee has been paid

**greater of three (3) or number for which fee has been paid

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